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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 AND 1.98

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 20, 2003

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find copies of documents to be considered by the Examiner during examination of the above-identified application. Also enclosed are English translations of the respective documents. Further enclosed is a Form, substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, listing the enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(b) are satisfied.

In any event, the following Statement is made under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(2):

No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any

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individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c), more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure

Statement.

The documents, enclosed, listed on the enclosed Form, are not in English.

For satisfying requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3), English translations of the listed

documents are enclosed.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable

requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with the

documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed

documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully

requested.

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